Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 21 Aug 2021 until 23:59 on Sunday 22 Aug 2021

Forecast Issued on Friday 20 Aug 2021 at 16:34

Confidence: High for a very wet start to the weekend and for a drier day on Sunday. High for pressure to then build bringing dry and settled conditions next week. Medium confidence in sunshine/cloud amounts next week.

Headline for Saturday 21 Aug 2021: Very wet during the morning with extensive hill fog. Drier during the afternoon but with a risk of heavy showers.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 21 Aug 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Medium Likelihood
Thunderstorms Medium Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** High Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** Medium Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Light rain showers (night)	Drizzle	Heavy Rain	Heavy Rain	Drizzle	Heavy rain showers	Heavy rain showers	Partly cloudy (night)
Precipitation probability							
70%	80%	90%	>95%	60%	60%	40%	30%

Forecast for Saturday 21 Aug 2021

Weather: Showery rain during the early hours becoming increasingly persistent and heavy later in the night. Very wet during Saturday morning with persistent rain, heavy at times and low cloud giving poor visibilities, especially at higher levels. Drier weather arriving early in the afternoon, but as skies brighten, a risk of heavy showers breaking out. A chance of these being thundery in places but becoming drier into the evening with some sunny spells to end the day.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 30% becoming 60% from midday. 80% by the evening.

Visibility: Very poor during the morning with blanket cloud covering most of the area above 350-600m and occasional periods of cloud as low as 200m in the south of the park. This will make for challenging navigation, particularly on any featureless or unfamiliar terrain. From around midday the cloud will thin and break to become periods above 700-800m, however ribbons of cloud will still remain at around 500-600m. At lower levels, visibility will improve from midday to become generally good, however temporary quick deteriorations are likely in any showers. By the evening, most areas will have very good visibilities with just patchy cloud above 650m.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	12/16 S	14/18 S	13/17 S	12/17 S	12/17 SW	13/19 SW	13/19 W	12/18 W	12/18 W
300	4/11 SW	3/11 S	4/12 SE	6/13 S	8/15 SW	10/18 SW	9/17 W	8/16 W	8/16 W
Valley	3/10 S	3/7 E	3/8 E	4/10 SE	7/15 SW	10/19 SW	9/17 W	7/16 W	7/15 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	13/11	13/10	13/11	13/11	14/12	14/12	13/11	11/9	12/9
300	15/15	14/14	14/14	15/15	16/15	18/16	16/15	14/12	14/12
Valley	15/16	15/15	15/15	16/16	17/16	18/17	16/15	14/13	14/13
Freezing Level*	3200m	3100m	2900m	2900m	2900m	2600m	2500m	2400m	2400m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Mountain streams are likely to rise through the morning and some paths will become saturated with standing water making for wet and in places slippery walking conditions. It will feel thoroughly miserable in the persistent rain and drizzle during the morning and if you are venturing into the hills, it is advised that you take appropriate waterproofs as well as a compass and a map and know how to use them. Be aware that there is a low risk of thunder and isolated lightning strikes during the afternoon.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
14:00 on Fri 20 Aug 2021	1.2mm	1.4mm	1.8mm

Forecast for Sunday 22 Aug 2021

Weather: Rather cloudy with a few patches of light rain or spots of drizzle first thing, mainly in the west. Some sunny intervals further east. Drier conditions developing during the day with sunny intervals becoming a little more widespread, but still the risk of a few light showers. Many areas ending the day on a dry note with some sunny spells.

Maximum wind: North-westerly 15-25 mph.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 600m: 40% becoming 70%.

Visibility: Generally poor or very poor at higher levels first thing with prolonged periods of cloud above 500-700m and occasional ragged patches as low as 400m on northwest facing hills, especially during any periods of drizzle. Often good or very good at lower levels and during dry periods distant landmarks will be visible. Cloud bases lifting to 800m or higher during the afternoon and most summits clearing of cloud.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 13 Celsius rising to plus 19 Celsius.
At 600m: Plus 14 Celsius.
Freezing level: Well above the summits.

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